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**GOVERNMENT OF MIZORAM**  
**GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT**

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**NOTIFICATION**

Dated Aizawl, the 20<sup>th</sup> May, 2019

WHEREAS, the meeting of the Secretaries to the Government of Mizoram held on 6<sup>th</sup> May, 2019 discussed about distribution and placing of bottled/packageged drinking water in various official meetings, conferences or gatherings.

WHEREAS, the practice of placing bottled or packaged drinking water in various official meetings has often resulted in wastage of water and resources due to non-consumption of water so placed.

WHEREAS, the use of bottled or packaged drinking water in official meetings or conferences or gatherings has discouraged the use of water dispenser and other similar means of serving water in official meetings.

WHEREAS, the plastics used for packaging water not only deplete the natural resources but also contribute to the destruction of the environment and climate due to its improper disposal as they are non-degradable.

AND WHEREAS, discontinuation of the prevailing practice of distributing packaged water bottles made of plastic in official meetings, conferences and gatherings under the State Government needs to be actively realised to cut down unnecessary expenses, reduction of wastage of resources and for the conservation of the environment.

NOW THEREFORE, the State Government of Mizoram hereby bans, with immediate effect, distribution or placing of packaged drinking water made of plastics in all official meetings or conferences or gatherings, and that water dispenser and glasses be put in place for the purpose of drinking water in meeting halls and venues of gathering as the case may be.

This is issued with the approval of the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Mizoram obtained on 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2019.

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